

## House Resolution No. 4010

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Whitten, treasured residents of Alton, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary in 2007; and

**Whereas**, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord in 1947, Joe Whitten and Freda Williams began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony in Couch; and

**Whereas**, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Whitten provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a livestock dealer for fifty-two years; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Whitten enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a stellar employee of the Alton R-IV School District for seven years, and a farm service agency in Oregon and Howell counties for eight years; and

**Whereas**, Joe and Freda Whitten attribute their sixty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their five children, Jerry Whitten of Alton, Pam Ream of West Plains, Delaney Ream of West Plains, and Ben Whitten and Chris Whitten, both of Alton; their daughter-in-law, Anne Whitten; and their three grandchildren:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for Joe and Freda Whitten upon the glorious celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Joe Whitten.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Dethrow  
District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4010, adopted June 11, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker